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Senator Musto, Representative Jutila, leadership and members of Government Administration and Elections,

I'm Representative Philip Miller of the 36th House district and I'd like to testify in support of two sections of #6672, the conveyance act.

Section 6 would give easement to the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection of the area uphill of Connecticut Valley Hospital (CVH) Longtime local conservationists as well as the city of Middletown have long advocated for this property, which includes several pristine reservoirs which sit on top of an outstanding groundwater aquifer.

Section 10 would formally close the ill-fated Haddam Land Swap of two years ago. This deal caused great unrest and resentment because it was seen somehow bypassing local scrutiny. The proponent of the deal included a circuit breaker which had nullified things when independent appraisals subsequently revealed a large disparity in value.

I'd be glad to close this divisive chapter and get on with progress which the town of Haddam is making.

Thank you and I'd be glad to answer questions.

Sincerely,

Phil Miller – 36th District